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SUBJECT: JUNE 10 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. INDOCHINA

GALEN STONE NOMINATION AS LAOS AMBASSADOR AMONG THOSE CONFIRMED BY SENATE MONDAY (UPI, PHINQ; NYT, WP).

AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE OFFICIALS REVEALED MONDAY THAT LONG-TIME AMCIT RESIDENT, ROSEMARY CONWAY, ARRESTED UNCLASSIFIED

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LAST WEEK, BEING HELD BY LAO AUTHORITIES ON CHARGES OF PLOTTING AGAINST SOUVANNA GOVT. LAO SOURCES CHARGE SHE PLANNED FLYING T-28S OUT OF LAOS (UPI CHITRIB, NYT; WP, PHINQ). AMEMBASSY SPOKESMAN SAYS

LETTER SENT FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY TUESDAY MORNING ASKING CLARIFICATION OF MATTER. NUMBER OF JOURNALISTS ASKED AT CHIEF OFFICES OF MIXED POLICE FORCE FOR PERMISSION TO SEE HER, BUT ONLY RESPONSE CAME FROM PL POLICEMAN WHO, WITH MENACING AIR, TOLD THEM CONWAY IS CIA AGENT (REUTER, VIENTIANE).

NINE MORE US OFFICIALS LEFT LAOS MONDAY; SPOKESMAN SAID 111 LEFT IN VIENTIANE (REUTER, NYT).

AID'S DAN PARKER TOLD CONGRESS MONDAY FORD ADMIN HAS PUT OFF CONSIDERATION OF NEW FOREIGN AID TO LAOS BECAUSE OF DISPUTE WITH LAO OFFICIALS. AID SOURCES SAY AID FOR LAOS PUT IN ABEYANCE AS RESULT OF DISPUTE OVER FUTURE OF VIENTIANE MISSION. CONGRESSIONAL SOURCES QUOTE ADMIN OFFICIALS THAT THEY ARE RELUCTANT TO ANNOUNCE FLATLY END TO AID PROGRAM BECAUSE THEY DO NOT WANT JEOPARDIZE AMCITS STILL THERE (REUTER, NYT).

WP CARRIES REUTER STORY AND AP PHOTO OF DR. THOMAS HOSKINS AT WORK IN DANANG AFTER HAVING TAKEN VN NAME AND SUBSTANTIAL PAY CUT. HOSKINS SAYS DANANG NORMAL AND QUIET. HE WORKS WITH 15 VC DOCTORS WHO "KNOW AS MUCH ABOUT THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE AS THE AVERAGE WESTERN DOCTOR JUST FINISHING HIS INTERNSHIP".

NEW SVN GOVERNMENT ASKS JAPANESE AMB TO LEAVE SAIGON BECAUSE HIS CREDENTIALS HAD BEEN SUBMITTED TO THIEU GOVERNMENT. ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS OPEN FOR FIRST TIME SINCE TAKEOVER, POLITICAL GUIDANCE TO BE PROVIDED (WP).

NESSEN MONDAY DENIED REPORT US WARPLANES ENGAGED IN LARGE-SCALE BOMBING RAIDS ON SVN DURING AMERICAN EVACUATION FROM SAIGON (REUTER, WP).

2. REFUGEES UNCLASSIFIED

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CHIEF OF INDIANTOWN GAP REFUGEE CENTER EXTEND OPEN INVITATIO TO SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE WHICH HAD CRITICIZED REFUGEE OPERATIONS. FREIDMAN SAYS NEITHER KENNEDY NOR HAS STAFF HAVE VISITED CAMP (PHINQ, STAR).

3. KOREA

PRES FORD SAYS AT PRESS CONFERENCE THAT PRESENCE OF 38,000 US TROOPS NECESSARY TO KEEP THE PEACE IN KOREA. SAYS THE FUTURE PRESENCE CONSTANTLY UNDER REVIEW (WP, NYT).

KOREA EXPECTED TO USE 22 PERCENT MORE FEEDGRAINS

BY END OF 74-5 MARKETING YEAR COMPARED TO PREVIOUS YEAR ACCORDING TO USDA. SMALLINCREASE IN CORN SALES TO ROK THIS YEAR, BUT BULK OF 25 PERCENT ROK INCREASE COMES FROM THAILAND (JOC).

4. THAILAND

KUKRIT SAYS VANG PAO WILL LEAVE THAILAND WITHIN WEEK FOR US EXILE BECAUSE RTG FEELS HIS CONTINUED PRESENCE WOULD JEOPARDIZE RELATIONS WITH LAOS (PHINQ). BUT AMEMBASSY BANGKOK SAYS NO VISA APPLICATION RECEIVED FROM VANG PAO (AP, WSTAR 6/10).

KUKRIT SAID MONDAY AT DINNER FOR VISITING RAZAK THAT THAILAND SEEKING ADJUST TO NEW REALITIES IN ASIA IN ORDER AVOID CONFLICTS, BUT WILL NOT ABANDON OLD FRIENDS IN BLIND RUSH TO EMBRACE NEW ONES (UPI, WP).

5. CHINA

ESTABLISHMENT DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, TRADE PACT BETWEEN PHILS, PRC RECEIVES EXTENSIVE COVERAGE. SIGNING ACCORD IN PEKING, MARCOS CUTS TIES WITH TAIWAN. JOINT COMMUNIQUE STRESSES NON-INTERFERENCE IN EACH OTHER'S INTERNAL AFFAIRS. TENG TERMS ACCORD "IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION" TOWARD ADVANCEMENT "ASIAN PEOPLE'S CAUSE OF UNITY UNCLASSIFIED

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AGAINST IMPERIALISM" (REUTER, WSTAR, WP; AP, GLOBE, NYDN; WSJ; NYT; PHINQ; CHITRIB).

COMMERCE SEC MORTON SAYS US FIRMS ABLE SELL PRC EQUIPMENT TO DEVELOP OIL FIELDS, BUT SEES DIM PROSPECTS US BUYING OIL (UPI, JOC; WSJ).

PRC DIPLOMATIC MISSION ARRIVED MOZAMBIQUE 6/9 TO ESTABLISH EMBASSY. MOZAMBIQUE TO GAIN INDEPENDENCE 6/25 (WP).

PRC TO COMPETE IN WORLD ROWING EVENT NOTTINGHAM, ENGLAND AUG 20-30. FIRST APPEARANCE MAJOR INT'L ROWING EVENT SINCE JOINING INT'L ROWING FEDERATION 1973 (REUTER, NYT).

JAPAN EXT TRADE ORGANIZATION REPORTS PRC'S FOREIGN TRADE DEFICIT UP 1.3 BIL FROM 1974, BUT SAYS OVERALL TRADE VOLUME ROSE 40 PCT OVER 1973 (REUTER, CHITRIB). TAIWANENDS RELATIONS WITH PHILS SHORTLY AFTER MANILA-PEKING ANNOUNCEMENT. ECON MIN Y.S. SUN SAYS TRADE BETWEEN PHIL, ROC WILL CONTINUE RELATIVELY UNHAMPERED (REUTER; WP).

OBERDORFER (WP) VISITS "TEMPORARY" GRAVESITE CHAING

KAI-SHEK IN TAIWAN. CHAING'S OLDEST SON PLANS BURY FATHER IN NANKING, ON CHINESE MAINLAND, "AFTER THE PEIPING REGIME IS OVERTHROWN."

CHINESE ACROBATS OF TAIWAN BEGIN TOUR US, CANADA 9/9; 65 PERFORMERS, MUSICIANS WILL VISIT 66 CITIES BY DEC 8 (UPI, PHINQ).

6. JAPAN

ANNUAL GALLUP POLL, SPONSORED BY GOJ, REPORTS
49 PERCENT OF 2,710 AMERICAN CITIZENS INTERVIEWED
PLACED TRUST IN JAPAN, COMPARED WITH 36 PERCENT IN
LAST YEAR'S POLL; 31 PERCENT THOUGHT JAPAN NOT
RELIABLE, DROP OF 6 PERCENT FROM 1974 TOTAL. POLL
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CONDUCTED IN US IN FEB (REUTER, CSM 6/9).

STAUFFER CHEMICAL CO, SUMITOMO CHEMICAL AND SUMITOMO SHOJI KAISHI FILE PLAN WITH GOJ TO ESTABLISH "MOUNT PLEASANT CHEMICAL CO" AS JOINT VENTURE PROJECT IN US (JOC).

7. AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIA ARRESTS MP JOHN STONEHOUSE AFTER HE ATTEMPTED BOARD PLANE WITH EXTRADITION PROCEEDINGS PENDING AGAINST HIM (WP, PHINQ).

8. MARIANAS

US CITIZENSHIP VOTE SCHEUDLED TUES FOR RESIDENTS MARIANAS. FAVORABLE RESULT GIVES US FIRST NEW TERRITORY SINCE 1925, STRATEGIC LOCATION IN PACIFIC (AP, CHITRIB).

9. BURMA

UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES IN RANGOON AND MANDALAY CLOSED FOLLOWING WEEKEND DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST GOVT (WP).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

10. INDOCHINA

WP'S SIMONS, IN VIENTIANE, NOTES US "EXAMINING" IMMIGRATION REQUESTS OF SOME 500 LAOTIANS WHO FLED INTO THAILAND DURING LAST FEW WEEKS. SEES SOME EVIDENCE US WILL

ADMIT VANG PAO. US DIPLOMATS IN LAOS CONTEMPLATE THAT BREAK WITH GOVT, SHOULD IT COME, WOULD BE ESSENTIALLY PEACEFUL.

LAT'S LESLIE, IN VIENTIANE (6/6), FINDS US OFFICIALS
SAYING DESIRE MAINTAIN RELATIONS WITH LAOS, UNLESS
HARASSMENT OF AMCITS BECOMES INTOLERABLE. DISCUSSIONS
WITH LAO OFFICIALS ON TURNING OVER AID PROPERTY COMPLICATED
BY VAST ARRAY OF GOODS. DELAY IN US AID SHIPMENTS BOUND
TO PUT SEVERE STRAIN ON LAOS' ALREADY-WEAKENED ECONOMY;
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MOST IMPORTANT WILL BE IMPACT ON FUNDS TO STABILIZE COUNTRY'S CURRENCY, FINANCE ITS IMPORTS. SUSPENSION OF FUND WOULD CREATE SUDDEN, RAMPANT INFLATION IN LAOS, MEAN END TO PETROLEUM, RICE IMPORTS, LEAVING LAOS' ONLY ALTERNATIVE TURN TO COMMUNIST NEIGHBORS. AS US ROLE IN LAOS DWINDLES TO MODEST PROPORTIONS, PRC, SOVIET APPEARS BECOMING MORE ACTIVE.

NYT'S ANDELMAN, IN VIENTIANE, SEES PL GRADUALLY ASSUMING CONTROL OF GOVT STRUCTURE, FROM NATIONAL MINISTRIES IN CAPITAL TO SMALLEST VILLAGE COUNCIL. PRECISE PL GOALS STILL NOT WHOLLY CLEAR, AND IT CONTINUES DENIAL IT WANTS FULL TAKE-OVER.

11. REFUGEES

WSTAR SAYS WORST THING ABOUT VIET REFUGEES IS TO FORGET THEM, AND LEAVE THEM ON GUAM. REFERS TO KENNEDY SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT BUT NOTES THAT SENATE CHOSE TO DEAL WITH REFUGEES THROUGH SFRC RATHER THAN KENNEDY SUBCOMMITTEE. CONTRASTS SUCCESS IN WASHINGTON STATE WITH GENERAL PRACTICE AND NOTES THAT KENNEDY HAS AT LEAST IDENTIFIED SOME OF PROBLEMS (6/9).

LAT (6/6) APPLAUDS FORMER CUBAN REFUGEE WHO BEFRIENDED VIET REFUGEE AND HIS FAMILY.

JOYCE BROTHERS SAYS IMPORTANT THAT VIET CHILD ADOPTED BY US FAMILY KEEP HIS VIET NAME AND IDENTITY AND ADVISES SLOW CULTURAL CHANGES (CHITRIB).

12. CHINA

NYT SAYS MANILA-PEKING AGREEMENT VIEWED IN HK AS MAJOR DIPLOMATIC GAIN FOR PRC IN EFFORT WIN OVER STAUNCH ANTI-COMMUNIST SEA COUNTRIES. ANALYSTS BELIEVE CHINESE NOT EAGER SEE PRECIPITATE US WITHDRAWAL FROM PHIL, ELSEWHERE IN ASIA.

WP'S GREENWAY IN GLOBE SEES ESTABLISHMENT RELATIONS

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BETWEEN PRC, PHIL PART OF GENERAL TREND TOWARD "SELF-RELIANCE, NEUTRALITY AND ACCOMMODATION" WITH COMMUNIST

COUNTRIES SINCE 1969 NIXON DOCTRINE. NOTES OVERDEPENDENCE ON US CAUSES PHILS EMBARRASSMENT IN ATTEMPTS JOIN NEW TREND TOWARD REGIONAL COOPERATION IN SEA.

13. KOREA

CHALMERS ROBERTS (WP-6/8) SAYS THAT IN 1950, US IN THROES OF THE "WHO LOST CHINA" DEBATE WITH SERIOUS DOUBT THAT THE US WOULD HELP KOREA IN EVENT OF ATTACK. PURPOSE OF WARNINGS FROM ADMINISTRATION AND STATMENT BY MANSFIELD IS TO DETER A SECOND COMMUNIST TRY TO REUNIFY BY FORCE. WILLINGNESS OF US PUBLIC TO RISK LOSS OF LIVES FOR KOREA NOW DOUBTFUL HOWEVER, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF THE TOTALITARIAN NATURE OF THE ROKG. BEST HOPE LIES IN RELATIONSHIPS AMONG THE MAJOR POWERS, NONE OF WHICH COULD BENEFIT BY HOSTILITIES ON THE PENINSULA.

HALLORAN IN (NYT) REPORTS GIFT FROM GM TO ROKG OF 104,000 FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE, PART OF A 31 MILLION DOLLAR DEFENSE FUND, HALF OF IT COLLECTED SINCE THE FALL OF VIET NAM. CONTRIBUTIONS COME FROM DOMESTIC AS WELL AS OVERSEAS KOREAN SOURCES AND FOREIGN FIRMS. MND VAGUE AS TO WHY CONTRIBUTIONS RATHER THAN TAXES USED TO DEFRAY DEFENSE COSTS. KISSINGER

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